

PERSECUTION OF JEWS IN RUSSIA

Rabbi Reynolds Delivers Interesting Lecture.

ATTITUDE OF CZAR IS UNJUST

REVOLTING DEEDS CAUSE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMENT.

The persecution of the Jews in Russia, the anti-Jewish riots, the insults heaped upon the Jewish money lenders, who are really the friends of the peasants, and the massacres of the Jews were the theme of an exceptionally brilliant and interesting lecture given last Friday evening by the Rev. Louis G. Reynolds, at Temple B'Nai Israel.

There was an exceptionally large attendance upon the lecture, which attracted unusual attention, owing to the interest in the persecutions by the Russians, and the bearing of the subject upon the attitude of that nation as regards encroachments upon Manchuria. The rabbi spoke in part as follows:

Discourse of Rev. Reynolds.

Deeply revolting as is this scene of brutal carnage, and calling as it does for the most vehement expressions of indignation and sorrow, there is still something more important for us to do: We must expose the malicious and infernal nature of the Russian persecutions, and the nature of the heartrending massacre.

He claims that the Russian Jews do not engage in agriculture, but that their occupation is money lending and that their failure to perform productive labor is the cause of all the prejudice and riots. To realize the foolishness and low perils of this life it is only necessary to acquaint oneself with the real facts of the matter. At the close of 1882, which marked the abatement of the terrible riots against the Jews, Ignatieff proposed and, with the approval of the ministers, carried out the celebrated May laws, the first and second clauses of which are as follows:

Persecutions of Ignatieff.

"1. To forbid the Jews henceforth to settle outside the towns and towns, the only exceptions admitted being in the Jewish colonies that have existed before, and whose inhabitants are agriculturists."

"2. To suspend the completion of instruments of purchase of real property mortgages in the names of Jews; also the registration of Jews as owners of landed estates or even the issue of powers of attorney to enable them to manage and dispose of such property."

In these very laws the government confesses the existence and importance of agriculture among the Jews, and intentionally fails to define the terms "towns" and "townlets" so as to leave a loophole for arbitrary enforcement by the magistrates. Indeed, in the month of October, 1882, many towns and even cities, were technically changed into "townlets" by an ordinance of the minister of interior. Jews who have been settled there since the year 1882 were obliged to sacrifice everything in order to transport themselves to some other place, within a given period, which did not, as a rule, exceed six weeks.

Successful Agricultural Colonies.

Notwithstanding these unfavorable conditions, there are successful Jewish agricultural colonies established wherever these laws did not reach out or were not vigorously enforced. In the province of Bessarabia, where the recent massacre occurred, there were, in 1880, several thousand Jews, who were laborers employed on the landed estates of the Russians. The Russian journal, Odeskoye Listok, which contained information, notes that emigration was immediately lessened, and brought to a standstill, and remarks in closing:

"So true is it that it suffices the poor Jew to be enabled to earn his daily bread, to deprive him of all thought of quitting Russia."

From 1887 to 1890, and from 1892 to 1893, under more liberal laws, thousands of Jews were transferred to the desert regions in Kherson, and from 1893 to 1895 to those of Ekaterinoslav. Many of them died of hunger and cold in the midst of the winter. Count Demidoff, a Russian statistician, claims that within four or five years 5,000 out of a total of 10,000 perished from exposure, yet their herculean tenacity, unswerving courage and unselfish labor won for them the respect and admiration of the Russian government inspector, says in his official report of 1893:

"The Jewish colonies give a picture of true peasant life, and are in comparative ease circumstances as contrasted with other Russian colonies."

Victims of Christian Usurers.

His charge of usury is, if possible, even a baser lie than the foregoing. In 1829 the peasants of Bessarabia, of which Kishineff is the capital, entreated the governor to sanction the return of the Jews to the rural districts, as without them it would be impossible to secure a remunerative result from the harvest. In 1832 the council of the empire formally acknowledged, before enacting the new law on usury, that usury developed in most alarming proportions in the rural districts since the time that the Jews were turned out of them.

The most anti-Semitic Russian paper, the Novoye Yermey, of Oct. 8, 1892, remarks about the Jewish expulsion:

"The peasants were not at all pleased at their departure, for they have fallen in the hands of Christian usurers, who sow and ruin them with a hardness which the Jews never displayed."

Jews Salvation of Peasants.

The few Jews who had the means to lend money to the Russian peasant, instead of being his detriment, were his salvation; for at a very reasonable rate of interest (paid in products mostly) they made it possible for him to avoid the difficult times. The Koulak, a Russian money broker, on the other hand, even the village priests and school teachers, according to the reports, exacted an interest of 100 to 250 per cent per annum. He further claims that no discriminating laws were ever passed by the Russian government against the Jews, such that all the horrible massacres and blood-curdling murders may be summed up in one phrase: "The peasant against the Jew."

What about the imperial laws of 1882, which shut up all the Jews in ghettos, and which deprived him of all means of culture and education, and which obliged in their intended results because of the hostile liberality, which the higher schools and universities of foreign lands extended to the persecuted exiles?

World Should Enter Protest.

It is the duty of the civilized nations of the world to raise their voices in defense of these poor, innocent victims; to let Russia know that she cannot afford to ignore the higher conscience of humanity; and, what more, to do all in their power to cut short its invasion of and abrogation of its influence in the many countries of the Orient, which hold the best intercourse with culture and civilization.

MRS. A. S. BRIMLEY DEAD.

One of the Pioneers of 1868 Passed Away Last Night, Aged 82.

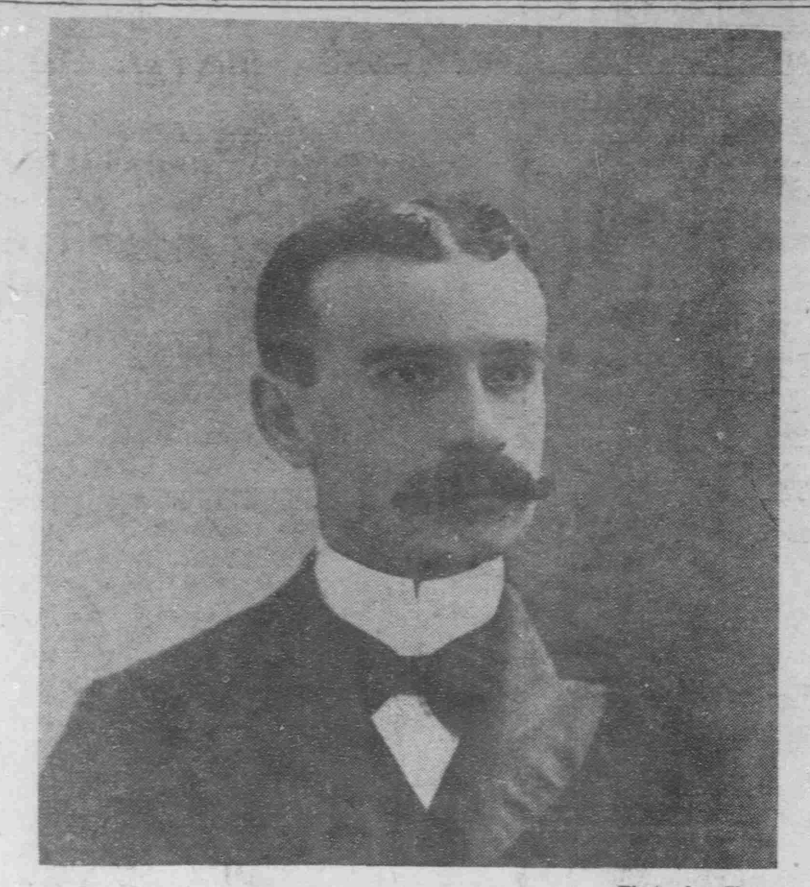
Mrs. Anna Southworth Brimley, 371 West Sixth South street, died at 9:20 o'clock last evening of general debility, at the advanced age of 82 years. She was the wife of Richard Brimley, manager of the Fifth ward family store. No arrangements have yet been made for the funeral.

The deceased was one of the pioneers who came to Salt Lake shortly after the close of the civil war, arriving here in 1868. For many years she was president of the Fifth Ward Relief society. Mrs. Brimley left six children, one having preceded her to the grave; thirty-eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. The sons and daughters are as follows: Mrs. Rachael B. Martin, Mrs. Ellen B. Cowan, Mrs. Jane B. Cowan, Mrs. Elizabeth Ann B. Poulton, W. J. Brimley and Thomas Brimley.

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Large Sum Already Pledged For the Projected Y. M. C. A. Building. Hail, Thunder and Lightning.

If \$75,000 can be raised by the Y. M. C. A. by the 1st of June the new named, \$40,000 is already pledged, but \$25,000 of this amount is contributed upon the condition that \$75,000 will be raised in the time stated. For these reasons a vigorous campaign is under way to raise the necessary amount. The committee have their hands full if they meet the conditions of those who have made pledges for the fund. It means that an average of \$5,000 per day must be added in order to secure the building.

The fund was increased yesterday by \$2,304. S. V. Shelp, chairman of the building fund committee, is making a general call upon citizens to assist in the work. At the regular services of the Methodist and Congregational churches and at the services in the tabernacle in the afternoon the question will be presented to the congregations with a view to increasing and broadening interest in the movement.

The committee reports that only a small portion of the people of this city has as yet been seen, but the response generally has been gratifying. M. H. Walker has subscribed \$5,000 and other large subscriptions are expected. Five persons have subscribed each \$1,000, and while many more pledges of this amount are needed, small sums are welcomed to help swell the fund. It is expected that the young men will be able to raise \$5,000, which will come from small contributions.

A meeting to consider the question of a canvass among the salaried men of the city will be discussed at a dinner to be held by the Y. M. C. A. in the Commercial club rooms on Monday evening. Governor Heber M. Wells will be present and addresses will be made by Secretary C. S. Ward, Horace H. Smith and General Secretary Oscar L. Cox.

TEAMSTERS GET A RAISE.

Mayor Approves of Resolution Giving Them \$4 Per Day.

Mayor Thompson yesterday approved the resolution passed by the city council last Monday evening, increasing the pay of the city teamsters from \$3.50 to \$4 per day. He also affixed his signature to the following appointments:

F. M. Lyman, to be inspector of work for the board of public works; Charles E. Culbransen, position on the fire department; C. J. Lecker, extra policeman to serve during the summer; C. H. Clive, substitute policeman to serve during the vacation season; the twenty bicycle policemen appointed by Captain Burbridge, who serve without pay; and the resolution appropriating \$1,500 to defray the city's share of the expenses of the visit of President Theodore Roosevelt this week.

IN POLICE CIRCLES.

The case against Mrs. G. E. Ellerbeck and A. Clawson, charged with fighting, was called yesterday before Judge Diehl. Ellerbeck was not present and his bail was declared forfeited. Clawson was ready for trial and the charges against him were dismissed. It seemed from the evidence that Ellerbeck was the aggressor and that Clawson was only going to protect himself when arrested.

Y. N. Loose, a farmer from Minnesota, was ready to go to his home by the police authorities. Loose has only been here three days on his way back to the farm, but in that short time he has been arrested, fined and robbed, and also arrested by the police twice. His principal failing seems to be a liking for whisky, and whether it is the altitude or the kind of liquor he has been drinking, he has been very much to the bad since he arrived here.

Thursday night he was arrested for being drunk, but as it was his first offense, the case was dropped. Friday night he was again in the toils on the same charge, but in the meantime he had been drugged and "touched" for Clawson's money. He had a through ticket to Minneapolis, and the judge decided that the best place for Loose was the farm. Accordingly he was allowed to go and was escorted to the train by a policeman. Loose no doubt will have some startling tales to tell when he rejoins the circle at the corner grocery.

James Hobbs, a farmer from Murray, was upon the carpet for driving a horse that had entered its second childhood, and it was proven that the horse was too old for service, and Dr. Beatty wanted it destroyed. Hobbs came to the rescue with a plea that would credit to a Utah legislator. He admitted that the horse was very old, but said that it had done valiant service for its country during the Black Hawk war, and asked that the animal be allowed to pass the rest of his days in a pasture on the banks of the Jordan. Upon promising that he would not work the horse any more, Hobbs was permitted to take the veteran equine back to the farm.

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HEALTH OF THE CITY.

Falling Off Is Reported in All Contagious Diseases.

For the week ending May 23 there were forty-three births reported to the board of health, twenty-two being males and twenty-one of the opposite sex. The deaths reported for the same period were twelve, the number of each sex being equal.

At the close of last week there were ten cases of scarlet fever in quarantine, four new cases developed during the week, and seven having been discharged, left seven cases in the city at the close of this report. For the same week last year twenty-eight new cases were reported and the total number remaining in quarantine was fifty-seven.

Of diphtheria there were eight cases reported, one of which resulted fatally, six cases recovering during the week, which left seven cases in detention, in comparison with five for the same week of last year.

There were three cases of smallpox reported during the week and nine were discharged as cured, leaving eighteen cases quarantined in the city and the quarantine hospital.

One case each of typhoid fever, measles, and chicken pox was also reported.

PERSONALS.

Claud W. Freed leaves today for a short visit to Denver.

"Billie" Wilson of the Hermitage, in Ogden canyon, spent yesterday in the city.

Lynn F. Clinton has just graduated from Stanford with honors and will be home this morning for the summer.

Colonel E. W. Tatlock leaves today for San Francisco, where he will visit with friends for a few days. Upon his return he will bring with him Mrs. Tatlock, who has been spending the winter on the Pacific coast.

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YOUNG AS A PLAYWRIGHT.

Former Herald Reporter Distinguishes Himself at Stanford.

Waldemar Young of this city, formerly a reporter on The Herald, a member of the '94 class of Stanford University, together with Ralph E. Renaud, '02, Washington, D. C., has won considerable fame on account of a play which the young men have written. It is a farce entitled "A Trick for a Trophy," and was recently produced by the students of that university. The San Francisco Examiner, commenting upon the play, says:

"The plot of the skit hinged on the recovery of the famous Stanford flag which was stolen by Berkeley students at a ball game several years ago. At the time the skit was written, the flag was in the hands of a man who was introduced and were roundly applauded by the large audience. The hit of the evening was made by the comedy team—E. R. Ray, '06, and Doxey Wilson, '06. Wilson's interpretation of the part of Miss McSnuggins, the antiquated chaperon, was exceptionally clever, and applause greeted the talented student every time he appeared. The work of May as Willie Grou would have been a credit to any professional comedian. Vally Young in the role of Professor Plunkerville was successful in this take-off of the spying professor."

The minor parts were well sustained throughout, and the plot, with its dash and vim seldom seen in amateur acting. The entire proceeds from the farce will be turned over to the Student's fund for the purpose of raising and the senior faculty ball game tomorrow will end all festivities for the year. The exodus of students will begin tomorrow, and by Sunday the campus will be practically deserted with the exception of the seniors, who must remain until Monday for their diplomas."

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VETERANS ARE DISPLEASED

Philippine Soldiers to Decide Today Whether They Will Parade.

Whether they will participate in the reception to President Roosevelt Friday morning, when the chief executive of the nation visits Salt Lake City, is a question which will be decided at the meeting of the committee of the Utah Philippine Veterans' association. The society will meet in the city council chamber at 2 o'clock.

There is considerable hard feeling among the veterans relative to the alleged scant courtesy shown them by the advisory committee on the presidential reception and parade. The Philippine war heroes claim that they have not been given the recognition which they assert they are deserving of. At one time the question of tendering the president a separate reception was discussed, but it has been dropped.

A few days ago City Recorder Joseph O. Nystrom was appointed a member of the reception committee of the president. Whether he will accept the same remains to be seen. Many of the members of the society are opposed to his doing so, asserting that the honor was conferred upon him until after attention to the alleged slight to the late war veterans had been called.

The matter of the acceptance of the appointment of Recorder Nystrom and whether the veterans shall participate in the parade next Friday morning will be decided at today's session of the society.

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